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AT THE PRESENT TIME THE ONLY LEASE OR CHARTER ARRANGEMENTS IN
SRI LANKA ARE THE FOL-
LOWING TWO AIRCRAFT WET-LEASED BY
MARATHON OIL COMPANY TO SUPPORT THE DRILLING OF TWO EXPLORATORY
OFFSHORE WELLS OFF THE NORTHWEST COAST OF THE ISLAND A
LOCKHEED ELECTRA OWNED BY MCCULLOCH INTERNATIONAL AIRLINES
AND A BELL 2051A HELICOPTER OWNED BY NATIONAL UTILITY
HELICOPTERS. MARATHON ALSO CHARTERS A DC-3 WITH CREW FROM
THE SRI LANKAN AIR FORCE ON A TRIP-BY-TRIP BASIS.
AIR CEYLON, THE NATIONAL AIR CARRIER, DOES NOT PRESENTLY HAVE
ANY LEASED AIRCRAFT. PRESS REPORTS INDICATE, HOWEVER, THAT
AIR CEYLON IS CONSIDERING THE LEASE OF A 747 FROM KLM. THE
EMBASSY DOES NOT HAVE ANY INFORMATION ABOUT THE DETAILS OF THIS
PROSPECTIVE LEASE.
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